

Intimations.

S. G. HILL, D.D.S.,
AMERICAN DENTIST.

OFFICE HOURS:—
10 to 12 A.M. 2 to 3 P.M.
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1897. [1-m 50]

THE
WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on FRIDAY the 28th January, 1898, at 11.30 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1897.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 19th to FRIDAY, the 21st January, 1898, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
General Agents for the WEST POINT BUILD-
ING COMPANY, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1893. [97]

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the **TENTH ORDINARY MEETING** of Shareholders in this Company, will be held at the **COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on FRIDAY, the 28th January, 1908, at 12 o'clock (Noon),** for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY the 19th to FRIDAY, the 23rd January, 1898, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
A SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th January, 1898. 108

**THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the **NINTH ORDINARY MEETING** of **SHAREHOLDERS** in this Company will be held at the

COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on FRIDAY, the 28th January, 1898, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1897.

The Register of the Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 22nd January, to FRIDAY, the 28th January, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
A. SHELTON HOOPER.

Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY Co., LD.
General Agents for the KOWLOON LAND AND
BUILDING Co., LD.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1898. [116]

**HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**

THE SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY HALF YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the Office of the Company No. 18 Bank Buildings

Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 29th instant inclusive.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1898 19

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders

will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, Pedder Street, at Noon on SATURDAY, the 5th February, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to the 31st December, 1891, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 26th inst. to the 5th proximo both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

**THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING
WEAVING AND DYING CO.,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST ORDINARY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Managers, No. 4, Pedder Street, on

MONDAY, the 7th day of February, 1898,
4 o'clock in the afternoon.

This meeting is called in order to comply with
the Hongkong Ordinances and only formal
business will be transacted thereat.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1898. (1)

NOTICE

DURING the Temporary Absence of Dr. **NOBLE**,
F. H. BOWERS, D.D.S.,
 will carry on the BUSINESS of Doctor

NOBLE & Co., DENTAL SURGEONS.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1898.

NOTICE.
 A RESPECTABLE YOUNG MAN

A RESPECTABLE, YOUNG MAN, wishes to meet with a Gentleman who is leaving for Home, and offers himself as VALET and COMPANION in exchange for trip, or as otherwise agreed.

Apply "Z. Y. X."
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office
Hongkong, 10th January, 1898. [14]

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Co-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM HELMS has this day been authorized to sign our FIRM in Canton per procreation.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Hongkong, 25th January, 1898. [164]

THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG.
INCORPORATED 1891.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING of MEMBERS will be held in the Rooms, No. 13, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, 29th January, at 3.45 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the report of the Managing Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Year 1897.

E. J. MAIN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1898. [165]

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders and Subscribers will be held in the CITY HALL at 4 P.M. on MONDAY NEXT, January 31st, to transact the following business:—
To pass the accounts for 1897.
To fill Vacancies on the Church Body.
To elect an auditor for 1898.
To approve the Regulations.
C. W. SPRIGGS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th January 1898. [167]

PUBLIC NOTICE OF EXPIRY OF FARM.

THE EXCLUSIVE PRIVILEGE of Preparing Opium and Selling and Retailing Opium so prepared will cease on the 28th February, 1898. No Prepared Opium purchased from us or our Licensees can be used after the 3rd March, 1898, at Noon, without the consent of the new Holder of such Exclusive Privilege as aforesaid.

MAN FOOK COMPANY,
Opium Farmers.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1898. [166]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain J. Kyroch, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at 4 P.M. This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1898. [163]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ONSANG,"

Captain J. Young, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 31st instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1898. [163]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & COMPANY,
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Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [30]

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Intimation.

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SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

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WHISKY—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [7]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1898.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

FRANCE.

LONDON, January 23rd.

Serious Anti-Semite disturbances have occurred in France.
Indescribable scenes have taken place in the French Chamber, during which blows were freely exchanged and weapons were summoned to the Lobby.

GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA IN CHINA.

It is officially announced at St. Petersburg that the British men-of-war have received orders to quit Port Arthur immediately. It is understood that this is in consequence upon representations by Russia to London.

[It is a pity Reuters omits to say whether the alleged "orders to quit" were from London or St. Petersburg. Either way, we are inclined to disbelieve the report.]

MORE FRENCH NAVAL REINFORCEMENTS FOR CHINA.

The French warships *Vauban* and *Bretagne* have been ordered to China.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE buying rate for sovereigns is \$10.60 per £.

In the cricket match between the H.K. Football and Cricket Clubs, the former were defeated by the Cricket Club by an innings and 189 runs.

CAPTAIN John B. Jellicoe and Lieut. F. A. Powlett have been appointed to H.M.S. *Cunliffe*, dating December 31st and 18th respectively.

A COOLIE, who had taken upon himself the functions of undertaker and priest, was at the instance of Inspector Mann fined \$50 to-day for the illegal burial of a child.

Mr. Leo Hernandez, who has very often appeared before the public of Hongkong, arrived here on Sunday by the *Choywang* with the New York Novelty Co. The Company has been well spoken of in the North and they will entertain the public in the Theatre Royal some time next week and the date of their appearance will be duly advertised.

A SPANISH sailor named Ropo charged, a Malay sailor with a crack-jaw name, with having banged him on the back of the head with a stick. The evidence was a little queer but the signs of the assault were unmistakable and his Worship remanded the case till Friday next. The defendant's interpreter had to hear the complainant's evidence in English, translate it in Malay to defendant and then turn the latter's answers into Hindoostani and repeat them to the court interpreter.

P.C. MCKENZIE brought one of Mr. Kennedy's maloes before the court to-day for illustrating a pony by kicking it in the stomach. The pony was one of two drawing a load of hay and it stopped in Murray Road. The officer said he asked the malao why he did not use his whip instead of kicking the animal. The reply was that the whip was no good. The constable touched the pony with the whip and it went off at once. Mr. Kennedy had told the constable that he would allow neither Chinese nor Europeans to ill-treat his horses. A fine of \$3 was imposed.

Tax returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Jan. 23rd are:—Europeans, 155; Chinese, 2,812; total, 2,967.

In the Supreme Court to-day the Chinese promissory note case, *Lo Ping Kwan v. Tsai Chiu*, was concluded, His Lordship giving judgment for plaintiff with costs. Immediate execution was given to attach some landed property.

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council H.E. the Governor announced that he had called the meeting together to bid the members good bye and he spoke in kindly terms of his association with them. The Hon. C. P. Chater, Dr. Ho Kai, J. J. Bell-Irving and E. R. Bellillo spoke in reply, praising His Excellency's administration. A full report of the proceedings will appear to-morrow.

INSPECTOR Duncan had three more offenders in the "Weights and Measures Office" before the Magistrate to-day. Strange to say, in the case of the chief offender, the scales were in favour of the buyer, but the buyer, a marine hawk, happened to be the owner of the scales. He was fined \$50. The two others, roan pork sellers, were of the usual style, and against the buyer, and they were fined \$20 each.

THERE is an editor in *Newport News*, Va., whom the British nation ought to rise up and thank. For our part, we should esteem it happiness if we might but grasp his hand. He is a man of tender heart and noble soul. He has been, so to speak, dropping a sympathetic tear over "England's Waning Power." Like another Antony, he has stepped into the forum and uttered our funeral oration. He begins, indeed, with a quotation from the original Antony: "But yesterday the word of Caesar might have stood against the world; now lies he there, and none so poor to do him reverence." But there is at least one great-souled and generous enough to regard with pity the sad spectacle. Listen. "There is a melancholy note in the death song of England's greatness. The decadence of its almost matchless power has been gradual, like the decay which follows the advancing years of a man's life. Half a century ago the omnipotence of England's influence in the Eastern hemisphere was scarcely questioned. Then Great Britain raised up or struck down nations, monarchies, and empires at will. To-day, in its imbecile old age, with its intricate and entangling colonial possessions, it has become a second-rate power, whose influence is scarcely felt in Europe. Poor old England! But yesterday and thy word might have made or destroyed empires. To-day thou art the mark for the snubs of a haughty young Czar and harem-brained Emperor. Yesterday the thunder of thy cannons made monarchs tremble on their thrones. To-day thou art the mark of Kidger's sneers, while 'the sick man of Europe' laughs at thy ultimatum. How are we not mighty fallen! There is more, but we cannot quote further. If anything is to console us for having fallen into so pitiful a condition, it is the beauty of this exquisite epitaph. England must feel that she has not been great in vain to have called forth in her dying days such words as these. Inasmuch, however, as we find in another column of the same paper that quote the article, a frenzied outcry against the number of British vessels in American waters, and the controlling influence of Britain on American trade, we are almost in doubt whether it may not be an emanation of that dreadfully subtle thing—American humour.—*The Shipping World*.

THE *Saturday Review* believes that the publication of the verses "At Dargat," reproduced in our columns a few days ago, will prove the grave of Sir Edwin Arnold's reputation. With its customary breeziness it says:—"It is refreshing to see how the eminent poets of the day are getting themselves found out in their old age. Only the other week it was Mr. Alfred Austin who mumbled himself in the sacred cause of religion; Sir Lewis Morris has long since slipped into oblivion. Now it is Sir Edwin Arnold who goes down alive into the pit; and the *Largest Circulation in the World* graciously erects a broken column over the place of his disappearance. Let any one who supposes that Sir Edwin Arnold has left in him any of the making of a poet, endeavour to read the doggerel rhymes 'At Dargat,' with which he made his last gasp in publicity during the past week, and he will thereafter hold his peace. Between such stuff and even the poor stuff which poets may occasionally write a gulf is fixed over which there can be no crossing. The point is not to be argued. We snip one stanza from the devil's den that we go to form the 'Bridge of Hell' over which Sir Edwin Arnold's muse makes its bat-squeak exit:—

"Man of the Garden of Eden
Colonel Mathias loudly cries,
'The General's orders are to take,
At any cost, this sacrifice,
Yonder prisoner! His will make it,
The Garden of Eden will take it!'"

In the following verse the Gordons are to be found 'drowning muskels on the hill' and in the next, 'homely Highland lilt' and 'bunkin, plume and kilts' rush skimming together to scare the hill tribes from their 'grim position.' In the next they meet with 'rebel hordes' of Sir Edwin's imagination—almost the only bit of imagination the poem contains. It is to be hoped that the *Daily Telegraph* takes a long time reaching the front; there will be little fight left in the Gordon Highlanders when this cold *doggerel* reaches their rear. Once upon a time Sir Edwin Arnold was supposed to be a great gun; we fear he has proved to be only a 'drowned musket.' If a faint funeral echo of a farewell shot may be discharged over the grave where this dead reputation lies buried, let it be this:—
"It was good to see the Gordon
The Gordon Highlanders who did it!"

This is quite W. S. Gilbert's *Phantom* style but not such good rhyme as "He himself has said it, and it's greatly to his credit, that he is an Englishman!" And the worst of it all is that the brunt of the battle fell not on the Gordons but on the Gorkhas!

It is reported that the proprietors of the Kowloon Ferry service have already given orders for the construction of another double-ended ferry boat of similar design to the *Golden Star*. This is usually called, has proved a decided success on the Kowloon run and many people are beginning to grumble at the discomfort of the older and smaller boats. We must congratulate the Ferry folk upon the reputation which this new boat has earned, and, at the same time, remark that we hope shortly to see only double-ended boats employed in the ferry traffic.

The courtesy of the Colonel and the officers of the Hongkong Regiment in allowing the band to play in the grounds of the Mess on Sunday is keenly appreciated by the Kowloon residents. It is one may judge by the numbers who affect its vicinity on that day. There is usually a goodly sprinkling of Hongkongites also, and it is certain that the band on Sunday afternoon is tending to render Kowloon more popular as a place of resort. Could not the P. W. D. authorities be prevailed upon to place a few seats here and there along the sea front for the comfort of those listening to the strains of the band.

MESSRS. Warner, Barnes & Co's circular, dated Manila, 19th January said:—Coals.—Arrivals are British *Barb* Hamburg with Australian coal consumers. Business has been done in Australian at \$12.50 landed tons to extent of 5 to 6,000 tons. Japan continued dull, nothing doing. Petroleum.—Firm at \$4.61 for American, and \$4.37 for Russian, per case. Exports.—Hemp.—With the little disposition to sell shown by dealers, and the improving market in England, prices of all kinds of hemp have steadily advanced.—Fair settlements were made during the past few days of Albany cargo on the basis of \$8 for current. To-day there is a stronger feeling, and we hear of settlements on the basis of \$8 1/2, and at this figure we close firm with very small offerings. Sugar.—Manila Extras (about No. 9 D. S.) are still in small supply, owing to deficiency in crop and protracted wet weather impeding crushing. Teal.—Nominal, no crop. Hides.—The market has fluctuated for the time of year, and the market has fluctuated for \$4.25 to \$4.12, basis of assorted.—By latest telegraphic advice business was being done at the latter quotation.

A CURIOUS story arising out of the Chinese New Year festivities was told to Mr. Woodhouse at the Magistrate to-day. A Chinese clerk charged a Pottinger Street silk-merchant with having assaulted him by kicking him while in the defendant's house on Sunday night. Complainant's evidence was that he was visiting the wife of a friend at defendant's house and the assault was then committed. After hearing the one side Mr. Woodhouse put the defendant in the box and he charged the clerk with disorderly behaviour. Through the firing of "clackers," he said, he was unable to sleep on Saturday night and he wanted to go to bed early and his wife also was ill. Defendant and the married woman, with a girl, were in the back room playing, singing, and laughing. He went in and spoke to them and then he (the merchant) went out and came back with a friend, when he advised the clerk to go away, as he was acting contrary to "the Chinese custom." The clerk abused him and used most unpolite language and left. The merchant said the summons was taken out against him for assault to cause him trouble as he wanted to go away. He had given the married woman notice to leave and he would not have let the room to her if he had thought she would have so frustrated the Chinese propitities. His Worship said that he had done well to give the woman notice and under the circumstances he would do nothing further in the case. He also told the clerk that he could do as he liked provided he did not cause trouble other people.

"POWAN" AND "KWANGLIE" IN COLLISION.

The H.E. C. & M. Co's steamer *Powan* when coming in from Canton at 1 o'clock this morning, collided with the steamer *Kwanlung* lying at the China Merchants' Co's wharf. The stern of the latter vessel was damaged in the wood-work and the *Powan's* starboard bow was also injured. The *Powan* has gone into dock. The rudder of the *Kwanlung* is reported to have been damaged and she too will go into dock. An enquiry will probably be held regarding the collision.

THE INDIAN YARN TRADE.

The following letter has been received by the Chinese merchants dealing in Indian Yarn in Hongkong from Sir George Cotton, President of the Bombay Millowners Association, in reply to a representation lately made for working the mills short hours:—

Forbes Street,
Bombay, 3rd January, 1898.

Hung Kuo Phoo How,
President of the Meeting of
Chinese Merchants dealing in Indian Yarn
c/o Messrs. Framjee Wormalde & Co.,
c/o Messrs. Framjee Wormalde & Co.,
Hongkong.

Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favour of the 7th and 9th of December, the latter acknowledging receipt of my Committee's telegram in reply to the one received from you. I am circulating your very interesting letter of the 9th amongst the members of the Committee so that they may fully understand your view of the present position of the trade. Personally I fear that now Bombay Mills have to compete with those in China and Japan short time for Bombay Mills only would seriously injure our trade, as the increased cost of production consequent on curtailment of working hours would be a premium to our competitors and tend to an expansion of the number of Mills already at work on your side. I am hopeful that low prices will increase consumption in India and that your stocks will be considerably reduced once the Northern Ports are again open. Trailing that the New Year will bring you and all our friends in China prosperity,

I am, Sir,
Yours very faithfully,
(Signed) G. CORSON.

REVIEWS.

Good Reading from many Books. Selected by their Authors. (London, T. Fisher Unwin.) This excellent little series of striking passages from the works of the best authors is now in its third year. Apart from the intrinsic interest of the extracts themselves—a dramatic scene from a novel, a gem from a book of poems, a chapter of bright dialogue, or a vivid word-picture taken out of its framing to stand by itself—the compilation has the additional attraction of showing the judgment of authors on their own masterpieces. It may frequently happen that a writer particularly fancies he has excelled himself in a portion of his work which the average reader would consider mediocre; while the writer must occasionally be surprised to find that something which he felt very dissatisfied with, has really been a signal success. As mentioned in the preface, the old-time reviewer is to some extent being displaced by the less laborious practice of "giving samples"; to properly review a book takes perhaps not as long as to write one, but certainly a great deal longer than to read one. In the days when new books were rare, it was possible to develop reviewing into a fine art, and the highest point was attained when Macaulay wrote reviews which served as literary triumphs fit to outline their subjects. Nowadays, a single week sees an avalanche of new publications, and the reviewer's desk—in England—and the work has to be got through more expeditiously. Thus, gradually, the high-class literary review has become an impossibility. Even if a critic, for the love of his work, goes to his task, and finds the time to do full justice to his task, the public has too much to read and too little leisure; where there is to be a page there is an acre of reading-matter now. So the "review by sample" becomes inevitable, and from that to the publication of authors' own selections is but a short step. It is a good one. The small book now before us amounts to a collection of short stories, of the kind so popular within recent years; each about half a dozen pages, with the distinguishing feature that any reader who wishes can get a whole volume of this or that sample, and any reader who does not care to do that, need not go further than the single scene with its introductory note of explanation. The writers include Max Miller, Paul Bourget, "John Oliver Hobbes," George Augustus Sala, Louis Ruchet, "These Dreadful Twins," Amelia E. Barr, Charles Keene, and about forty others, some in French and German from the titillating magazine *Cosmopolis*. We do not propose to discuss the whole lot in these columns, but vouch for the excellence of the collection, and congratulate the publishers on their success. The book is essentially one that can be taken up for a few minutes and either read right through, dipped into at random, or laid aside for a time; but it is also essentially one that will never be laid aside long until it is finished.

British Policy in China; a Retrospect and some Conclusions. By J. O. P. Bland. (Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.) This is a most masterly résumé of the history of British intercourse with China during the past sixty years, and is a whole matter in a nutshell. It was published in *The Times*, and we are pleased to find that it is so well written as to be certain of commanding attention and doing good; while it is beautifully concise—it only makes twenty-seven pages of large print—and is at once quick in tone and forceful without straining. If anything could wake up the British statesmen in the gloomous atmosphere of Peking or the dry-rot of Downing Street, it is a booklet of this kind; while there is not a statement in it which is a matter of opinion or a question for argument, nor is there a sentence that is couched in language liable to be challenged by the most thin-skinned stickler for the *status quo in loco*. For the sake of helping on the good cause (which we judge to be Mr. Bland's chief desire in publishing the article) we take the liberty of reproducing his concluding list of urgent requirements:—

1. The strict observance of existing treaty stipulations.
2. Free transit through China, all inland charges being commuted into fixed duty payment. [The proper assignment of revenues payable to Provincial Treasuries in lieu of *li-hsin*, etc., could probably best be determined by aid of an extension of the foreign Customs Collectors. Any increase in the treaty tariff should be conceded only upon the condition of one duty covering the whole Empire, and under suitable guarantees.]

3. Recognition of the general principle that the extension of trade is a measure beneficial to Europe and China alike, and therefore one to be encouraged by the Chinese Government.
4. The removal of all artificial obstructions upon commerce, such as excessive taxation of export staples, absence of standard coinage, prohibition of the development of mineral resources, etc.

5. Improved means of communication, by steam navigation and (or) railways, between all important trade centres.
6. Internal administrative reforms; reduction in the numbers of officials, leaving an adequately paid Civil Service.

Minor points to be kept in view are the necessity for improved legislation, where foreigners are obliged to see Chinese in the native Courts (such Chinese defaulters or criminals being at present practically exempt from jurisdiction), and the clearer definition of the duties and powers of provincial authorities *vis-à-vis* British Consular officers.

The New Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea.

By Henry E. Pollock, barrister-at-law. (Kelly and Walsh, Ltd.) The objects of this small book, as set forth in the preface, are (1) To acquaint those who are interested in the navigation of ships with the provisions of the new Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, (which came into force on the 1st of July, 1897) and (2) To endeavour, by a comparison of the wording of the present Regulations with that of the former Regulations of 1864, 1880, and 1883, and also by a reference to cases decided under these former Regulations, to indicate the probable construction which would be placed by a Court of Law upon the terms and phrases employed in the new Regulations.

The latter object has been a difficult one to attain, because the new Regulations are founded in the main upon the Regulations approved of at the International Conference, held at Washington, in the years 1880-1890, and contain one or two important differences in language from the wording of previous British Regulations.

Article 10 of the Regulations of 1884 (together with various modifying Orders in Council) which deals with the lights required to be carried by certain fishing boats, and is still in force, has been placed for convenience, in an Appendix to itself. For the sake of completeness, reference is made in this book to those provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894, which have superseded and replaced the well-known sections 10 and 17 of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1873. The Order in Council of the 17th November, 1897, and the plan table of the new Regulations

will be found in the supplement at the end of the book.
The author, with that "infatigable capacity for taking pains" which characterises all his work, has given references to nearly three hundred cases, with a view to the elucidation of the difficult problem—what construction will the Courts put on the wording of the new regulations? As far as we can see, the author has studied and examined the new regulations most exhaustively, and fulfilled his task as ably and completely as can be done; though of course time alone will prove the accuracy of his inferences. There is a useful index at the end of the book. It is a valuable volume which, knowing the soundness and conscientiousness of the author's work, all shipmasters and members of the legal profession in seaports would do well to acquire.

Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan, etc. (Hongkong Daily Press Office.) This handy and comprehensive book of reference is again in hand, the 1898 edition showing a considerable advance on its predecessors. It is brought up to date by the inclusion of the latest treaties—Barna-China Convention of 1897, etc., the newly opened ports in Korea and on the West river, and latest details in the descriptive parts relating to each port. It would be an additional feature of excellence if the publishers would insert a map or maps showing the West River ports; and in the index there should be a list of maps. There is a new plan of Batavia, and the Hongkong map is up to date. We dislike the practice of pasting a large map by its middle into the book; it would be easier to see the central part of the map if fastened in by the edge. These slight alterations we suggest to the publishers without in the least detracting from our high opinion of the work. This directory is well known and indispensable that it hardly needs much commendation from us, but we can say that it is admirably printed, carefully revised, and well bound, with interesting information about Watkins' Stimulating Hairwash on the cover.

Secretary to Baynes, M.P. By W. Pett Ridge. (London, Methuen & Co., Hongkong, Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.)—The name of Pett Ridge is best known in connection with small and choice sketches of London *fourpence* life, in which this clever writer is inimitable. He has occasionally indulged in a full-sized novel, "A Clever Wife" being his most successful book hitherto. "The present story deals with a youthful foreign prince who has imbibed from an English tutor a fixed belief in the educational value of working for a livelihood. He comes to London innocently, only too glad to escape from the cage of life of a Severe Highness in a semi-civilised principality. He begins with an unformed character, and not much even of that; he sees the stern realism of life in his heart's content, and a good deal more. He engages himself as private secretary to a member of Parliament who bids for popularity among his constituents by taking up social questions; and as he works month by month, the secretary is at once plunged into the seething life of East London. There he is identified by somebody from his principality, and immediately he is a marked man; for some inscrutable reason, there are always people who want to murder a prince, though this prince has not had sufficient force of character to get himself killed. The adventures that ensue are thrilling in the extreme, and not far stretched in any case. The picture of life in Pett Ridge's very best; the Cockney dialogue, the wit and the narrowness of mind, the varied phases of human nature, are more than photographic; they are depicted by an artist of highest rank. It is a fascinating book, and not the smallest charm in it is the evolution of Mr. Baynes' secretary from an innocent innocently with the germ of a man, to a subtle force of character, with a wife who is equally lovable and has passed through equally severe tests.

THE MISSING STEAMER "PELICAN."

We are sorry to state that no news has yet been received of the Northern Pacific Co's steamer *Pelican*, which left Tacoma on October 23rd, last year laden with a full cargo of railroad ties for Tientsin.

The *Pelican* was in command of Captain Gore, formerly first officer of the Northern Pacific liner *Victoria*, and latter master of the *Victoria* during the absence of Captain Patton, her regular master, on a visit to Europe. He has had charge of the *Pelican* for several months. It is supposed that the *Pelican* has lost her propeller and is adrift on the ocean, or that she has foundered. Marine men incline toward the theory that she is adrift, for the reason that she was loaded with timber. Mrs. Gore is at her home in Tacoma and is much distressed at the continued delay of the ship in reaching harbor.

Mr. Patterson was first officer of the *Pelican* and Mr. Jack her chief engineer. The wife of the first officer is in Port Townsend. The third engineer of the vessel was Mr. Kyle, son of Mr. Kyle, of the Hongkong Dock Co.

The *Pelican*, when she left the Sound, carried forty souls. The officers were all Europeans and the crew was made up of Asians.

The ship carried a full cargo of 7,444,000 feet of railroad ties, valued at \$9,800, for the North China railroad.

The *Pelican* was a strong steel ship built by Barclay & Co., of Glasgow, in 1882, and her consignees, the Northern Pacific Steamship Company, think that she has not foundered, but that her screw has either dropped off or her machinery has broken down. Unless picked up by some passing steamer, which is towing her to port, she must be drifting on the bottom of the deep. The *Pelican* took the great circle route, and it is hoped that some other steamer sailing the same route will fall in with her. The revenue cutter *Star*, which recently sailed from the Sound for the Arctic Ocean, was to steam to the Behring sea by the way of the Aleutian Islands, and, says a Tacoma paper, she was instructed to follow the supposed path of the *Pelican* until off the point opposite the Aleutians where the world head drifts to the northward. The steamer *Columbia*, which sailed last month for China and Japan, was to follow the supposed path of the lost ship, and all other steamers in the North Pacific trade have been requested to keep a sharp lookout for the overdue ship.

The large tramp steamer *Alcoa*, from Molt for Tacoma, was a week overdue at Tacoma on the 18th ultimo, and the hope burns in the breasts of many friends of the *Pelican* and her officers that she has picked up the *Pelican*.

Strange to say, the *Pelican* left the Sound on her last passage on the same day of the same month as the famous cancer *Strathmore*, namely, the 23rd day of October. The *Strathmore* was out 72 days. She sailed from Tacoma with a general cargo for China and Japan for the Northern Pacific Steamship Company. After drifting southward to a point opposite San Francisco, taking a very tortuous course in getting there, she was picked up by the Australian liner *Mowra* and towed to within 10 miles of Cape Horn, where the ship parted in a storm.

The *Strathmore* drifted to anchorage behind Destruction Island, and was there found by the steam collector *Albatross*, which towed her to port Christmas day.

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	SEATTLE, WASH., via Kobe and Yokohama	THURSDAY, 27th January, at 4 P.M.
YAMASHIRO MARU	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, KEPPEL BAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 28th January, at 4 P.M.

INABA MARU	MARSEILLES, LONDON, NEW CASTLE, and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE (Transshipping Cargo for JAPAN PORTS, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID)	THURSDAY, 3rd February, at 4 P.M.
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For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1898.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SANDATAN AND KUDAT.
THE Company's Steamship
"DEUCALION"
Captain Branch, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1898. [157]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship
"SUNGKIANG"
Captain Dodd, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 26th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1898. [159]

MOGUL-WARRACK-MILBURN LINE.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"PORT ADELAIDE,"
to sail about the 26th January, 1898.
S.S. "CHAZEE" about 26th February.
S.S. "ARCHER" about 26th March.
S.S. "ATHAN" about 26th April.
S.S. "LENNOX" about 26th May.
S.S. "ENERGIA" about 26th June.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1898. [1913]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA, (FLORIO & RUDATTINO UNITED COMPANIES).
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.
Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA.
ALSO
VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.
Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.
BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.
THE Steamship
"BORMIDA,"
Captain Negr, will be despatched as above ON FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon.
At Bombay the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.
For Further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1898. [153]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
THE Company's Steamship
"CHANGSHA,"
Captain Williams, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.
A fully qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1898. [130]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship
"HECTOR,"
Captain Barr, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 31st instant.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1898. [132]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"HANSEAT,"
Captain C. Hamme, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st instant.
To be followed by the S.S. "LYDERHORN" on or about 15th Feb., 1898.
S.S. "ORWELL" on or about 28th Feb., 1898.
For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1898. [67]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR LONDON, VIA STRAITS AND COLOMBO.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)
THE Company's Steamship
"PINGSUEY,"
Captain D. Davies, will be despatched as above on or about the 8th February.
For Freight, &c., apply to HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1898. [142]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.
THE Company's Extra Steamship
"DARMSTADT,"
will be despatched as above on or about the 15th of February, 1898.
To be followed by the "GREFELD" on or about the 15th of March, 1898.
For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1897. [1924]

Mails.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).
THE Steamship
"VERONA,"
Captain C. H. S. Tocco, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this office for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 27th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.
All Cargo for France and London will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.
For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1898. [5]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
NOTICE.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.
ALSO
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THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.
N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)
Prinzess Tuesday ... 1st Feb.
Sachsen Tuesday ... 1st March.
Bayern Wednesday 30th March.
Prinz Heinrich Wednesday 27th April.

ON TUESDAY, the 1st day of February, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "FREUSSEN," Captain P. Wella, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 29th January. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 31st Jan., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 31st Jan. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic for Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.
For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1898. [58]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.
Tacoma 2,549 A. Dixon Feb. 1.
Victoria 3,167 J. Truebridge Feb. 22.
Olympia 1,591 T. H. Dobson Mar. 15.
Columbia 2,505 J. A. Gaw April 5.

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FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.
Braemar 3,561 E. Porter Mar. 8.
Mogul 3,654 W. H. Wright Mar. 29.
Argyll 2,997 W. Ward May 3.

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HONGKONG TO NEW YORK 241.
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HONGKONG TO TACOMA 248.
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.
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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 15th January, 1898. [12]

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Hongkong, 14th May 1897. [9]

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EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar., 1898.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. H. Fyfe, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 6th April, 1898.

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Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) Thursday, 3rd Feb., at Noon.
Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Thursday, 22nd Feb., at Noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 12th March, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
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U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
City of Peking (via Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Wednesday, 26th Jan., at Noon.
China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 12th Feb., at Noon.
Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) Thursday, 3rd March, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship
"CITY OF PEKING"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on WEDNESDAY, the 26th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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